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28☆TUNE [No More Crying]

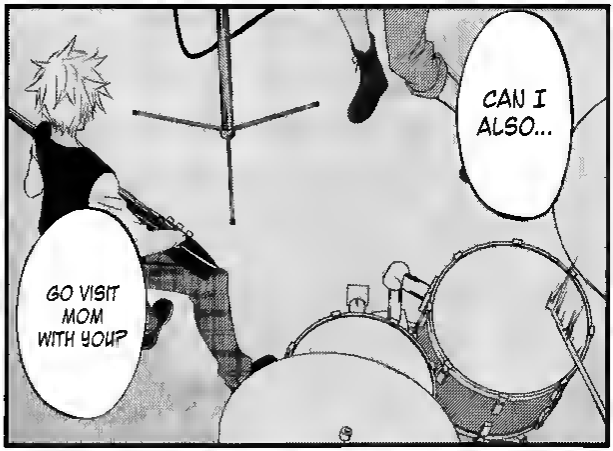
CLOVER
LET'S REST FOR A BIT.
AL-RIGHTY
STUDIO CLOVER

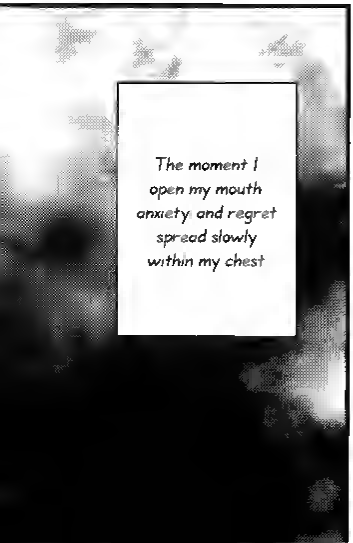
MY INBOX IS ALSO FILLED UP WITH MY BOYFRIEND'S MESSAGES~♥
!?
ピロ
小島 彩乃 20:54
小島 彩乃 07:12
小島 彩乃 18:23
小島 彩乃 23:05
小島 彩乃 06:58
HOW LOVELY~♥
HEY!! DON'T LOOK...
WAIT! HOW DO YOU KNOW!?
WITH AYANO, RIGHT? IT'S ALL TOO OBVIOUS!
SERI-OUSLY!?
EVE! DID YOU KNOW THAT HE'S IN A RELATIONSHIP?
S-
SORT OF...?

Ho
"IT SEEMS THAT WAY?" WAS MY BEST GUESS.
Y-Y-Y-YOU KNEW!?
Leave Eve to me!
Congrats, Sakuta-kun!
..NEE-SAN, I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT...
IGNORING ME!? JUST CAUSE YOU GOT A WOMAN, DON'T THINK YOU'RE ALL THAT! HEY!!
Alright alright. Calm down a bit~
OH, DON'T CALL ME "ONII-SAN," OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT, ALRIGHT? IT'S JUST DISGUSTING!

UH... UMM...
A-ABOUT THE DVD WE WATCHED RECENTLY, I FELL ASLEEP NEAR THE END, AND DON'T REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED
SAME.
No...!
This isn't the sort of thing I wanted to say

THE HOSPITAL.


CAN I ALSO...
GO VISIT MOM WITH YOU?


The moment I open my mouth anxiety and regret spread slowly within my chest

I've decided to "say it" for a while now but...
OF COURSE.

総合病院

OKAY, I'LL BE WAITING IN THE LOBBY
IT'LL BE FINE AHH... CAN I MAKE A CALL BEFORE I GO IN?

ARE YOU REALLY... SURE?

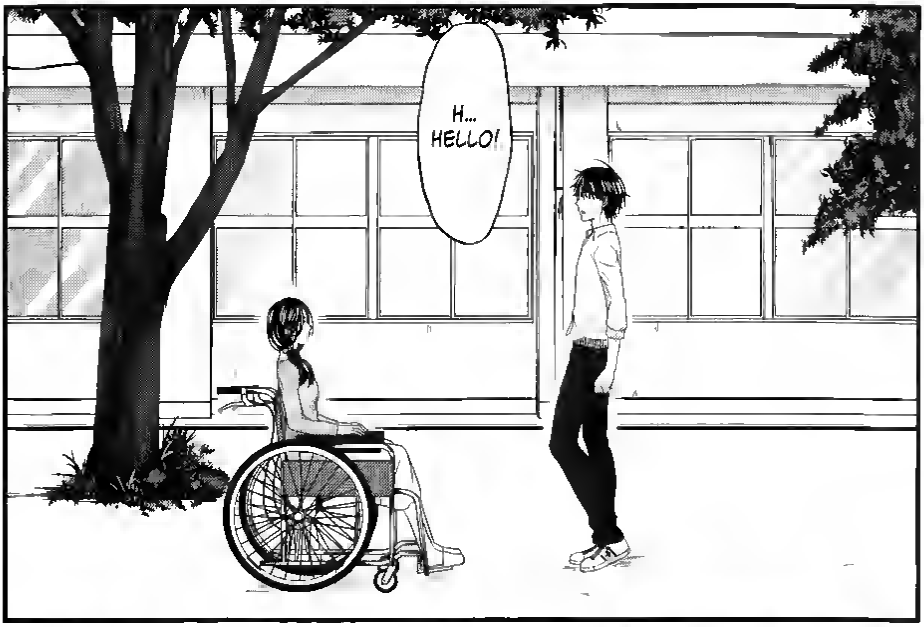
"Sure," huh?

トゥルルル
トゥルルル
トゥルルル
You're going to be meeting that mom again?
She's going to say "Nice ta meet you" again?

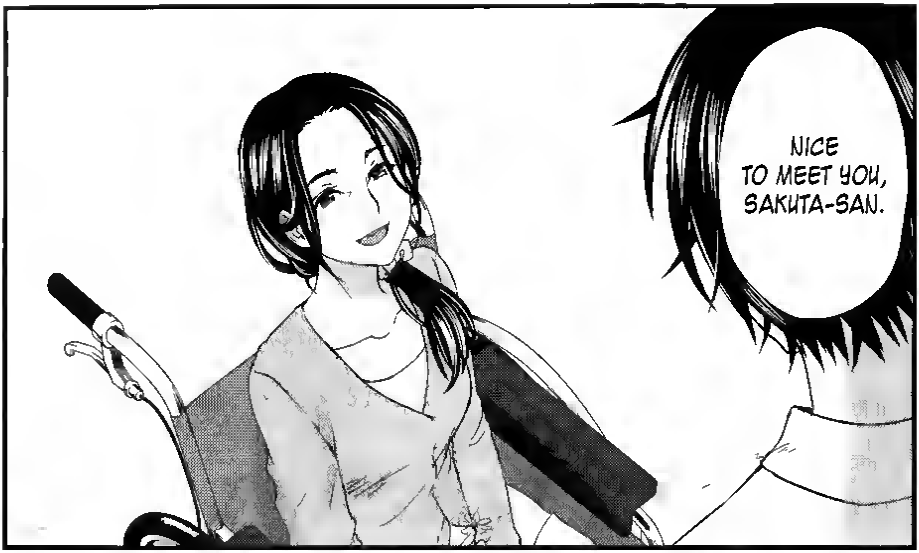
I'M ABOUT TO GO IN A BOOKSTORE.
AH... WELL, I WAS JUST WONDERING WHAT YOU WERE UP TO.
SAKUTA-KUN, WHAT'S THE MATTER?
NO... I JUST WANTED TO HEAR YOUR VOICE IS ALL...
I'M STILL OUTSIDE, SO IT'S OKAY. DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
...OHH.
IF YOU SAY THAT IT MAKES ME WANT TO GO SEE YOU.
AH...WAIT, SAKUTA -KUN.....
..OK, WELL, I'LL SEE YOU LATER.

...YEAH.
ME TOO...
IF THE WEATHER'S GOOD DURING THIS TIME, SHE'S MOSTLY IN THE COURTYARD.
I'M GLAD YOU CAME, SAKUTA-KUN.
於成総
IZUMI -SAAAN.

My throat is dried-up
SAKU-TA...?
My foot-steps feel heavy
OKAY
HER FAMILY'S HERE, LET THEM TAKE IT FROM HERE
Compared to lost time today is more scary Knowing that "mom is here" but still having to face her is more scary !
BOTH OF THEM CAME HERE TODAY.
UM.....
Even though I kept thinking of seeing her right now I want to run away more than ever..
How-ever..


H...
HELLO!

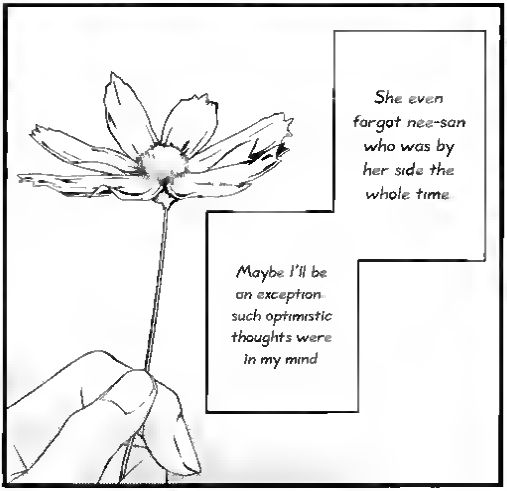
I'M...
SAKUTA.



Maybe she'll realize that it's me

I've wandered. If I told her that I am "Sakuta."

I had hoped that I would meet the mom in my memories.



She even forgot nee-san who was by her side the whole time

Maybe I'll be an exception such optimistic thoughts were in my mind

SAKUTA, TAKE A LOOK IT'S BEAUTIFUL
LOOK CLOSELY!
The hand that was once large and warm
has become slender and thin
The eyes, the nose
the lips
The long black hair is mixed with white here and there..
This is how my mom looks
I see..

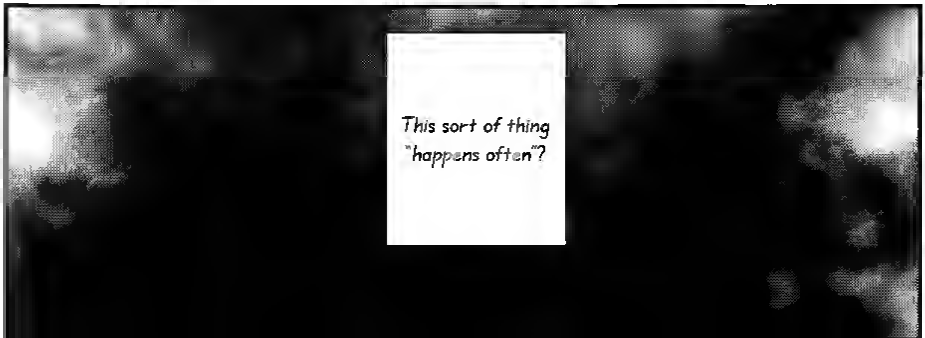
MOM... LET'S GO FOR A STROLL.
M...
I WANT TO PUSH.
THEN, I'LL PUSH..
IT'S FINE!

MOM...?
IT FEELS NICE AND WARM.
SHI-SHIORI-SAN, PUSH ME...
BEING PUSHED BY SOMEONE I DON'T KNOW SCARES ME.

THIS HAPPENS OFTEN, SO DON'T TAKE IT TO HEART, SAKUTA

O...OKAY. I'LL PUSH, ALRIGHT?
SCARED... I'M SCARED
IT'S OKAY THERE'S NOTHING TO BE WORRIED ABOUT

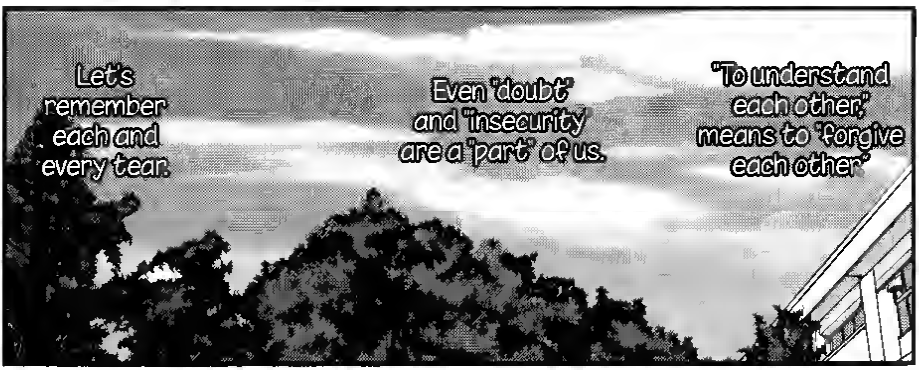
Mom is scared of me


This sort of thing "happens often"?

I can't!
It's impossible
It's unbearable
Without even knowing why the only thing I can do is sob
I'm going to be left aside just like that day

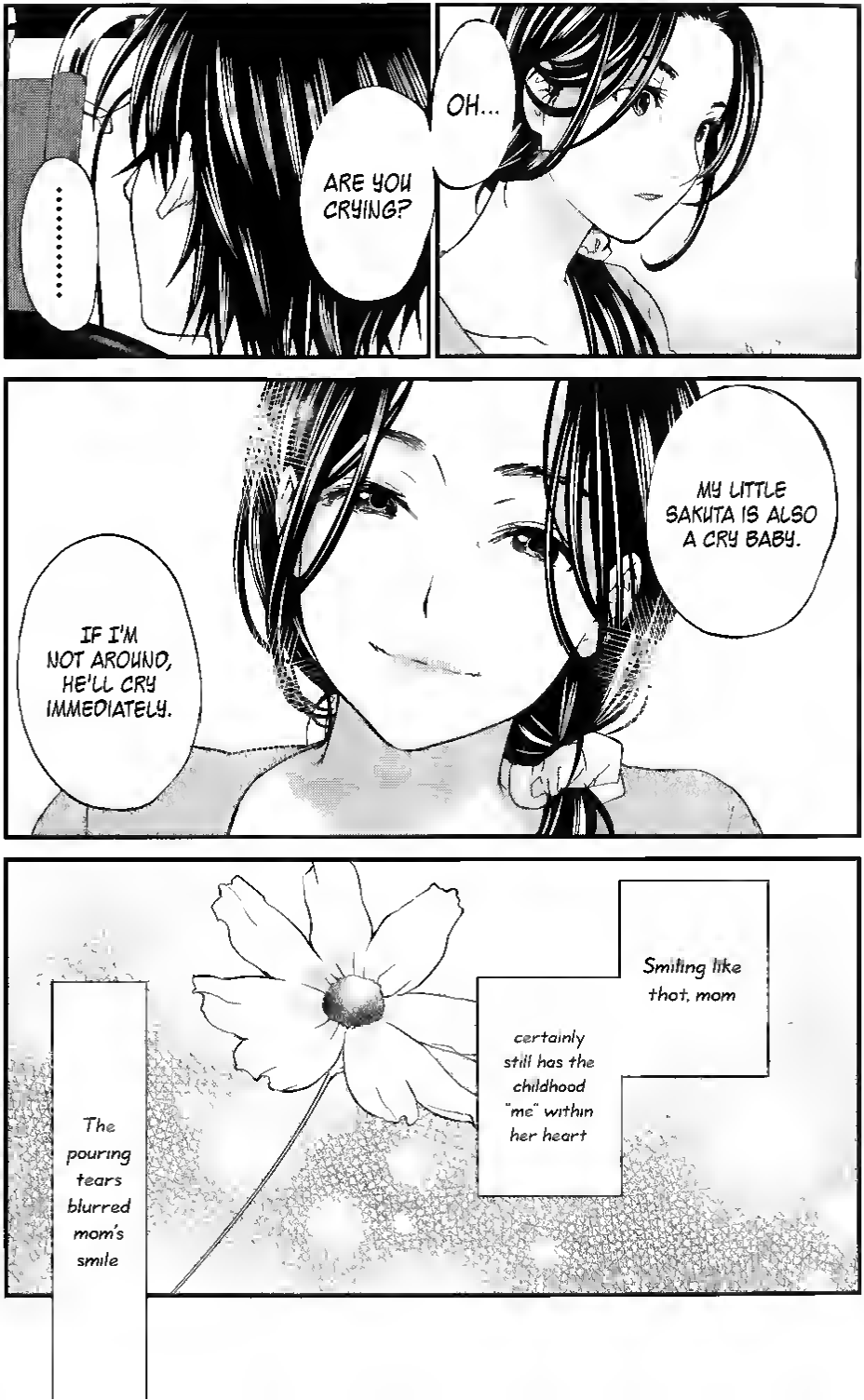
Someone's reaching out to me...
The trivial distance is
I wonder if I have the courage to grasp that hand.
Always testing my tiny heart...

Because my heart is yearning for us to be together.
There's no way I know the right answer, but I don't want to give up.
There's you with a troubled face embracing the same loneliness as me.
The pouring rain is drowning out someone's voice again.


Let's remember each and every tear.
Even "doubt" and "insecurity" are a "part" of us.
"To understand each other" means to "forgive each other"

Hey, as long as we can laugh together again.

THE FLOWER!
I WAS ABOUT TO DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN.
...THANKS, NEE-SAN.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ARE YOU CRYING?
OH...
IF I'M NOT AROUND, HE'LL CRY IMMEDIATELY.
MY LITTLE SAKUTA IS ALSO A CRY BABY.
The pouring tears blurred mom's smile
certainly still has the childhood "me" within her heart
Smiling like that, mom

I'M HOME.
SOOO LATE!!
DIDN'T I SAY I WAS EATING HERE SINCE MY MOM'S NOT HOME TODAY!?
THEN LET'S MAKE SOME RICE
AMI WANTS SOME CHEESE BURGER~♥
I TOLD YOU THERE'S NO INGREDIENTS
EH~!!

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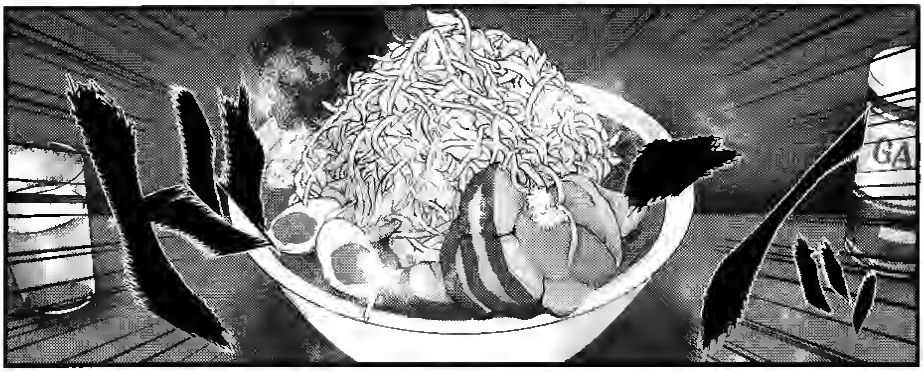
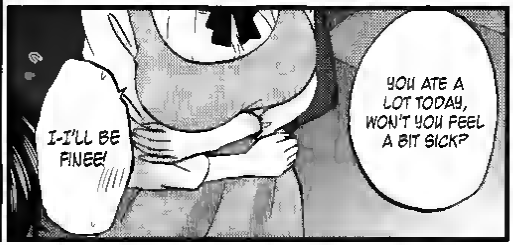
...ふぅ
AFTER THAT CALL, I VISITED MY MOM AND WENT BACK HOME.
肉の宴
肉の宴
"Nice to meet you"
YOUR MOM'S CONDITION .. HOW .. IS IT?
YEAH..... SHE SEEMS LIVELY.
A vague reply that's not a lie but isn't the truth either

To me
or to Ayono
THAT'S GOOD...
anxiety cannot be explained by words
At least not now
IT'S ABOUT TIME FOR DINNER, WHAT SHOULD WE EAT?
SAKUTA -KUN, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO EAT?
Anything will do
"Anything" is the most problematic!
Then, Ayano-chan, what would you like?
U~n



A WHILE BACK, IT WAS JUST AROUND THIS AREA WHEN YOU SUDDENLY FELT UNWELL, AND CAUSED A BIT OF TROUBLE FOR ME..
Sorry

THE PERSON NEXT TO US KEPT ADDING MORE~. IT WAS QUITE THE AMOUNT.
PHEWW! SURE ATE A LOT..!


I-I'LL BE FINE!
YOU ATE A LOT TODAY, WON'T YOU FEEL A BIT SICK?

THAT'S RIGHT! IT WAS CERTAINLY THIS PLACE
HOTEL

...IN FRONT OF A..
LOVE HOTEL...
AM6:00~
PM1:00
AM6:00~
HAVE...
HAVE YOU BEEN INSIDE BEFORE..?
N-
NO, NO, NO!!!
ドキ
ドキ
ドキ
ドキ
ドキ

HAVE YOU EVER WANTED... TO GO IN?
...HAVE YOU?
This is it!!
But... I'm scared~!!
What'll happen inside? Will I need an identification!?
How much will I have to pay, and to whom? If I said I wanted to go in, what would Ayano-chan...??
Large mirrors?
Round bed?
Triangular horse?!
ドキ
ドキドキ
ドキン

ドキ
ドキ
WE'RE... WE'RE ONLY GOING TO BE A BOTHER HERE, LET'S GO
And after we sing, we'll get all sweaty, right?
Eh~?
ビク
EH~♥
I SAID WE'RE ONLY JUST GOING FOR A BIT OF KARAOKE!

空室中
在室中
在室中
在室中
いらっしゃいませ
いつもご利用ありがとうございます

"ANY ONE WILL DO" IS THE MOST PROBLEMATIC!
ANY ONE WILL DO!
NO WAY~ I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT'S GOOD!
THEN, LET'S PRESS ON THE COUNT OF TWO!
ドキ
ドキ
ドキ
ドキ

DO WE PRESS THIS? AYANO-CHAN, YOU CAN CHOOSE.
THERE ISN'T ANYONE HERE? SAKUTA-KUN.
WAHH!! ARE THESE ROOMS...?
EEH!!?

We pressed the cheapest room at the same time.
And laughed awkwardly.

ONE, TWO!
在室中
D-TYPE
終わります。

THERE'S ALSO GAMES AND KARAOKE
HEH~ SO THIS IS HOW IT LOOKS
I IMAGINED.. A ROUND BED AND A LARGE MIRROR.
WAH-! THE FRIDGE HAS MINI COMPARTMENTS!
KYA!
Wah—!!
Ayano-chan's so excited
So cute
TH... THIS
LET'S YOU SEE INTO THE BATH...?

シャアアアアア
UNTIL I SAY OK, DON'T LOOK!
O-OKAY...
Just a little.
Ughh...
NOT YET.
I wanna take a peek...
OKAY!!
STILL NOT DONE.
KYAA! I TOLD YOU DON'T LOOK~
SO-SORRY.

O...
OKAY...
TAKE A LOOK! SAKUTA -KUN!
BUB-BLES~♥

カポーン
ドキ
ドキ
ドキ
ドキ
ドキ
It's amazing~!
CAN'T SEE SHIT!
IT'S WIDE ENOUGH TO STRETCH OUT MY LEGS...
THEN, LET'S BATHE TOGETHER...!
I CAN STRETCH OUT MY LEGS NORMALLY AND...
MHM, WE'VE GOTTA BE LIKE THIS...
KYA!
I CAN DO THIS TO AYANO-CHAN!

...SO, WHAT DO YOU THINK?
I KIND OF.. LIKE IT.
IT-IT'S EMBAR-RASSING
BUT, GETTING HUGGED FROM BEHIND,

Our naked bodies.
Love is dripping, love is dripping.
Your smell will all be mine.
Your eyes, your breath, and

your slippery sweat,
tears,
screams will be drained by me.
The
is melting away.
bare.

UU...
NAA!
MY INSIDES ARE REALLY HOT!
ARE YOU OKAY...? AYANO -CHAN
Y... YEAH!
THE PAIN... IS ALREADY GONE...
BUT
IT FEELS... WEIRD.

"WEIRD"...?
AHNN
AH... AH.
YAAH!
MY VOICE... ITS...
IT'S OKAY, LET ALL OF IT OUT.
NN.
SO EM-BARRASS...
NNN!
NN...
AHH...
AYANO... CHAN.

NOOOOO, NOOOO.
I'M SCARED!
SAKUTA -KUUUN!
A-AYANO-CHAN, I'M GONNA...!!
SAKUTA -KUN! AH... AH...!
ME... TOO!

ビクッ
ぅ…
!!!!
ビクッ
ぃ…!!

PHEW.
THOUGH... AYANO-CHAN WAS REALLY CUTE THEN
I'M HOME~
クラ
..SO, WE HAVE ONE HOUR LEFT.
WHAT SHOULD WE DO? WANA GAME?
20:05
AH,
OW
OW
OW
CAN'T WE GO ONE MORE TIME.. NO?
...CAN'T

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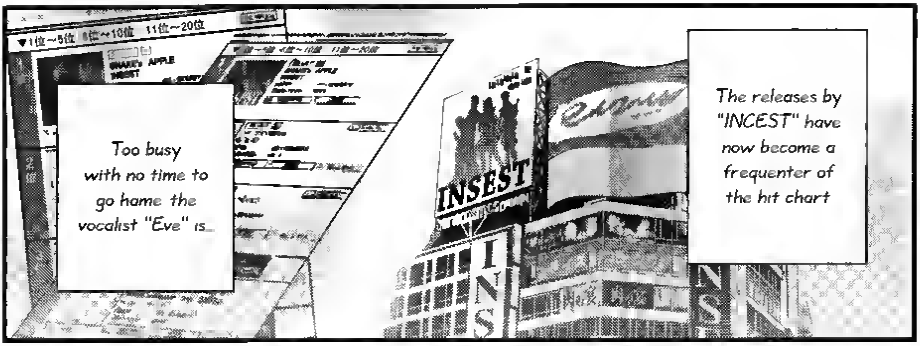
NN...♥
N-NOO...
IT'S EMBARRASSING THERE.
THEN... HERE.
AHN!

...Sakuta, you're so ecchi~♥
SORRY..!!

SAKUTA-! GOT ANY PLANS TODAY?
Nee-san's quite.. busty
ドキン
EH... N-NOT REALLY?
THAT'S GREAT! THEN, FOR A WHOLE DAY...
GO ON A DATE WITH ME~♪

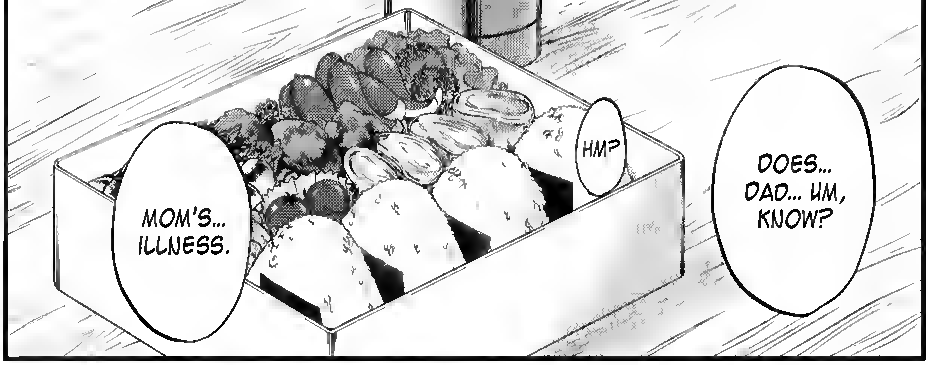

Too busy with no time to go hame the vocalist "Eve" is...
INSEST
The releases by "INCEST" have now become a frequenter of the hit chart

IT'S LOOKING OVER HERE!!
WAH!

I don't get it

Why spend such a rare occasion with your brother..
WE CAN OBSERVE BIRDS OVER THERE TOO!
Old-fashioned...

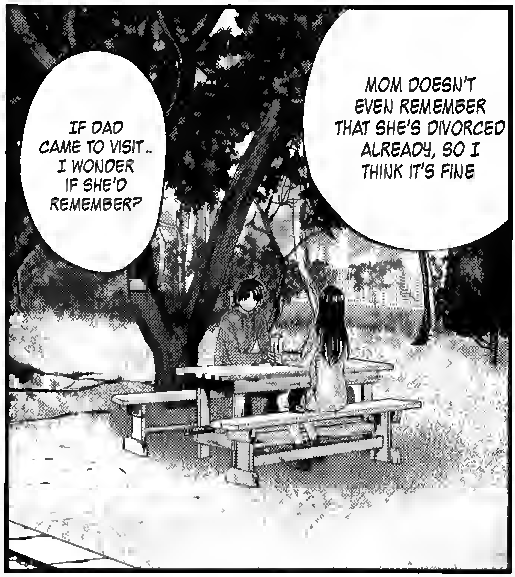
I DIDN'T KNOW THAT NEE-SAN WAS SO INTERESTED IN BIRDS...
I'M NOT.
JUST COME AGAIN ANOTHER TIME.
TODAY
CLOSED
SAKUTA WAS THE ONE THAT WAS INTERESTED.
YOU WERE REALLY EXCITED ABOUT LOOKING AT SWANS, DUCKS, AND SUCH...
DAD, MOM, AND SAKUTA, US FOUR, WE CAME HERE TOGETHER.
I REMEMBER IT WAS REALLY FUN.


MOM'S... ILLNESS.
HM?
DOES... DAD... UM, KNOW?

AFTER THAT, EVERY MONTH HE'S BEEN SECRETLY SENDING THE HOSPITALIZATION FEES.
IF MOM FOUND OUT IT WAS FROM DAD, SHE PROBABLY WOULDN'T TAKE IT

...ALTHOUGH MOM TOLD ME NOT TO INFORM DAD,
I DID AT LEAST TELL HIM ABOUT MOM GETTING HOSPITALIZED

HE'S BECOME AN OLD MAN SO SHE PROBABLY WON'T EVEN RECOGNIZE HIM.


IF DAD CAME TO VISIT.. I WONDER IF SHE'D REMEMBER?
MOM DOESN'T EVEN REMEMBER THAT SHE'S DIVORCED ALREADY, SO I THINK IT'S FINE

PERFECT TIMING TO GET CARRIED AWAY.
BUT... WHY DON'T YOU SPEND YOUR RARE OFF DAY WITH FRIENDS,
OR SOMEONE YOU LIKE.
...WOULDN'T IT HAVE BEEN BETTER TO HAVE COME WITH THEM...?

BUT YOU SEE,
It actually hurt cause I overate
UGH.
YOU SURE KNOW HOW TO TALK AFTER YOU GOT YOURSELF A GIRLFRIEND, SAKUTA-KUN!
THE PERSON THAT I LIKE IS...

SOMEONE THAT I MUST NOT FALL IN LOVE WITH, SO...
IT'S OKAY!!!

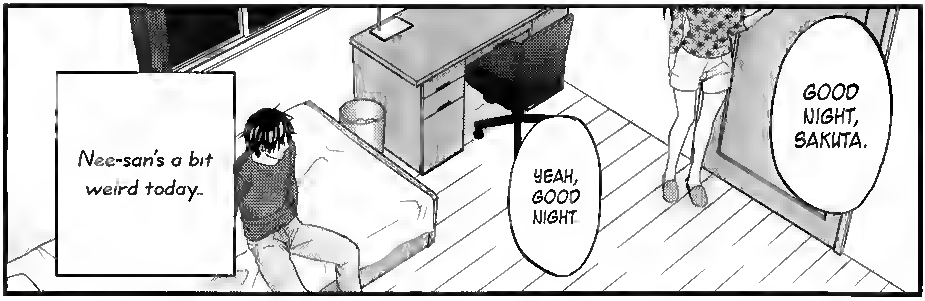
AS LONG AS HE'S HAPPY,
EVEN IF I DON'T CONVEY MY FEELINGS,
EVEN IF WE CAN'T BE TOGETHER,

EVEN IF MY LOVE IS FOREVER UNREQUITED, THAT'LL BE ENOUGH FOR ME!
Unrequited love... Nee-san's?
"Someone that I must not fall in love with"
...Who is it...?

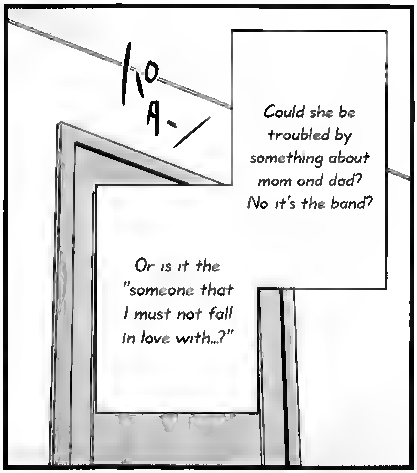
Should I just listen or is it better to say something.
AH!
UM...
Why am I shocked?
At a time like this, do I give her advice? Comfort her?
OW!
OW!
JUST KIDDING!

YOU'RE LAUGH-ING!
HMM... MAYBE?
WHAT!!? THAT WAS A JOKE!?
NOO, DON'T INCREASE THE CAPITAL!!
THAT'S PUNISHMENT FOR BUYING UP ALL THE WILD FEARS~!!
AH!! DON'T TAKE THE MENTAIKO SHOP!!
THAT'S CHEAAP!!
HA-HA-HA-HA-HA
AND THE SHINKANSEN CARD!

THANKS, SAKUTA...
TODAY WAS REALLY ENJOYABLE.


Nee-san's a bit weird today..
YEAH, GOOD NIGHT.
GOOD NIGHT, SAKUTA.

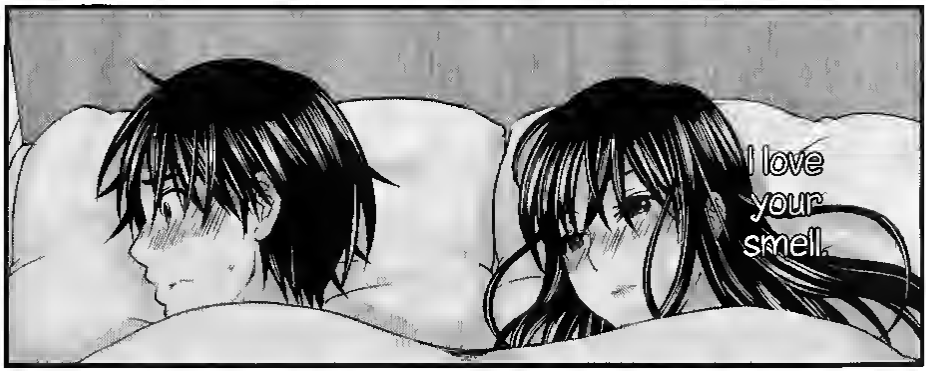
..I HAVE NO CLUE.


Could she be troubled by something about mom and dad? No it's the band?
Or is it the "someone that I must not fall in love with..?"

CAN WE.....
SLEEP TOGETHER?
トントン
AH, NEE-SAN!?
WHAT IS IT? I'M ABOUT TO SLEEP.
ガチャ...
UM... CAN...

Did it form when I crossed over the sorrow?
The broken seam lies within this chest.
Unconsciously [illegible] the loosened strings
[illegible] it unties.

I lied down on the wide lawn and looked at the sky.
The soothing feeling has me dozing off.
I close my eyelids.

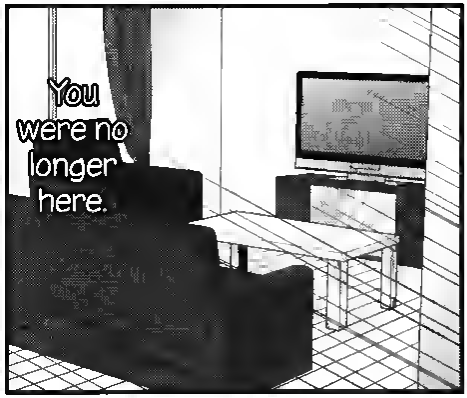

I love your smell.

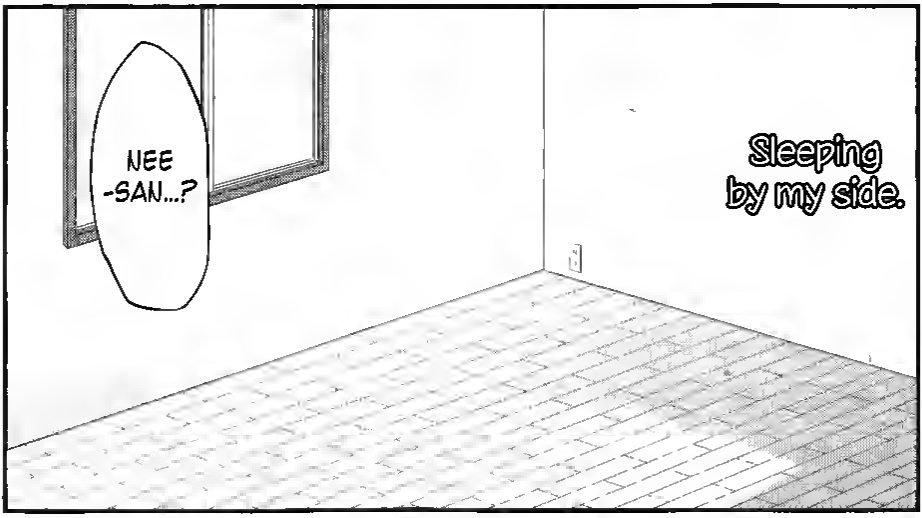
Your sweet smell.

I was all alone.

When I woke from my dream,

You were no longer


You were no longer here.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Sleeping by my side.

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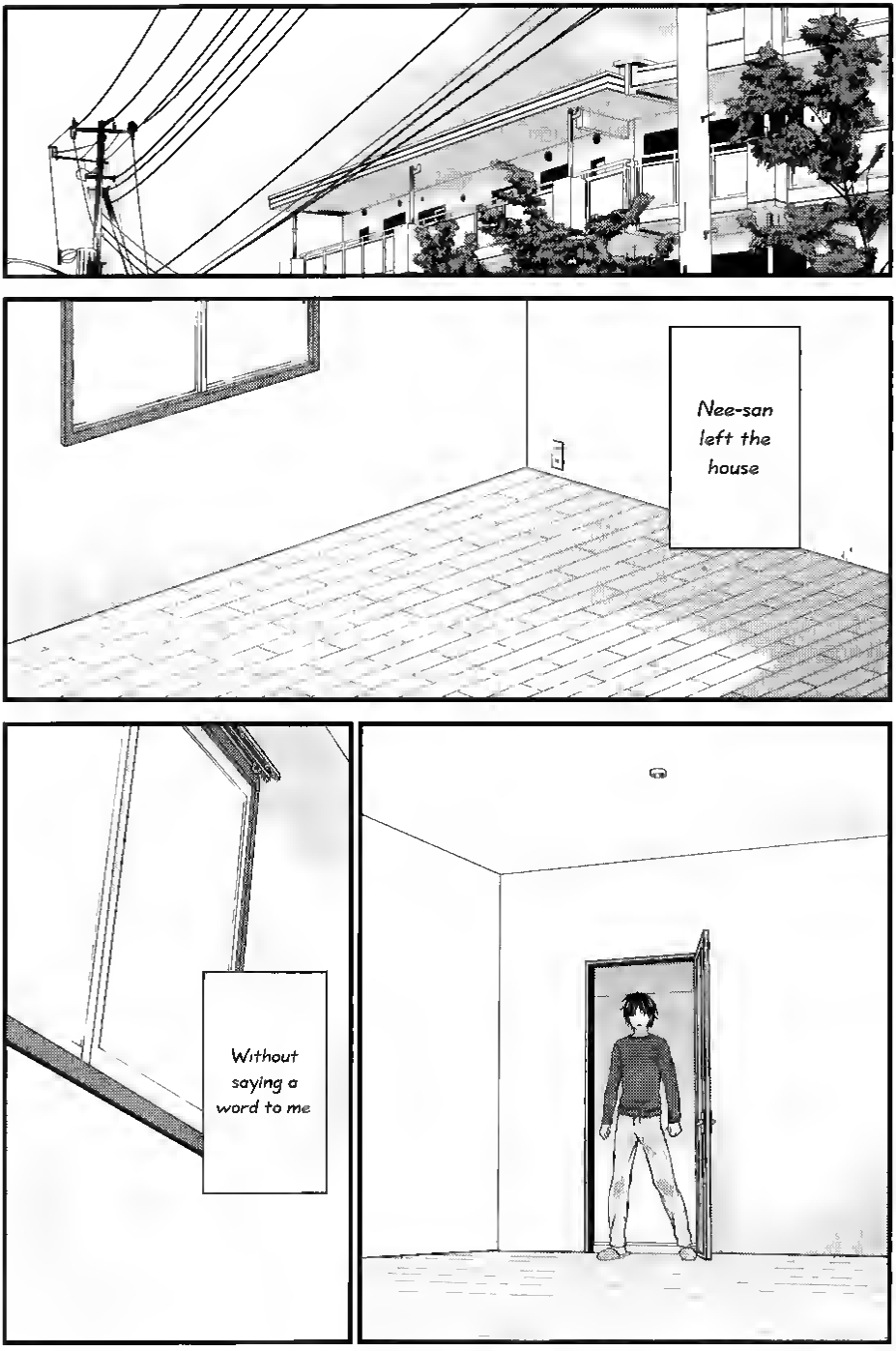
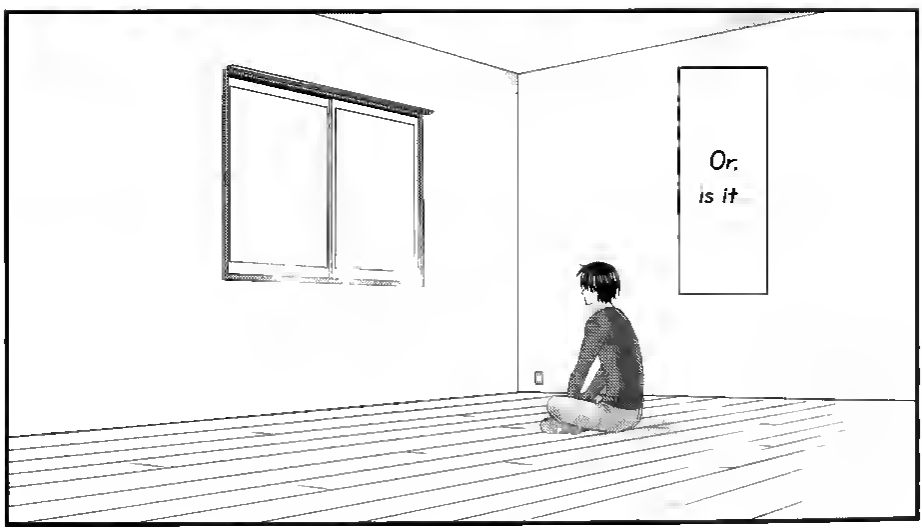

Nee-san left the house
Without saying a word to me

...Yesterday, she was obviously acting strange.

Was it because she wasn't going to say anything to hide that she's leaving the house?


Or, is it

NO IT'S NOT!!
AN INCIDENT!!
THIS IS--

AN EVEN DEEPER MYSTERY!!
I DON'T... KNOW...
AN EMPTY ROOM! NO MORE OLDER SISTER!
ONII-CHAN, DO YOU KNOW THE REASON!?
I'M NOT WATSON!!
THEN, CHALLENGE ACCEPTED!! LET'S GO, WATSON-KUN!!
IS THIS... A CHALLENGE DIRECTED AT AMI!?
THE GREAT DETECTIVE~☆ AMI WILL TAKE CARE OF IT~♪

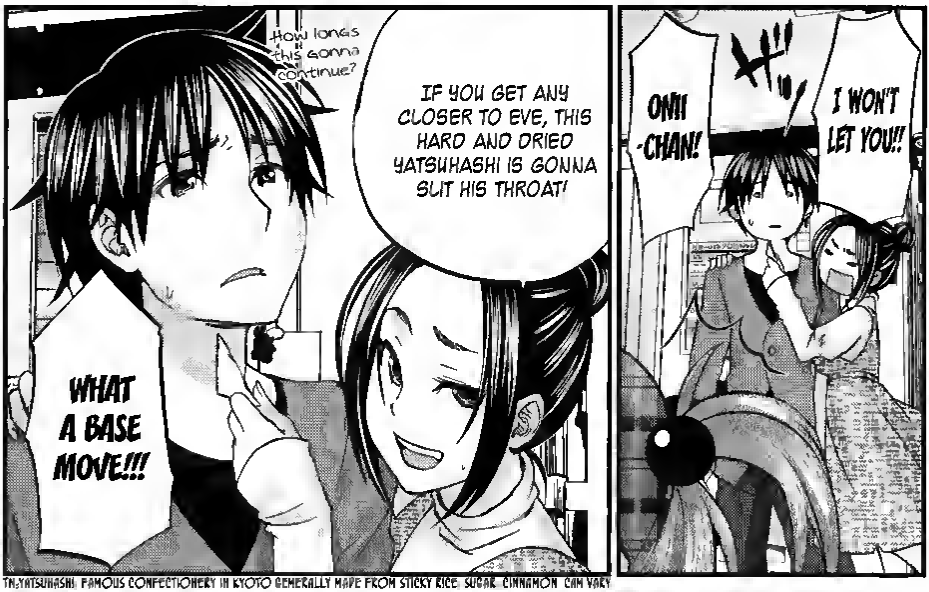
~Attractive middle school girl detective☆Ami's case file~

[The incident of Shiori's (belongings') disappearance!!]

I...
DID IT...
SECURE THE OFFENDER!!
PUT ON THE ROPES!!!
OBEDIENTLY
HANEDA-SAN, DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON!?
NOPE?
IT'S NO USE PLAYING DUMB!!
I KNOW YOU'RE INVOLVED IN "SHIORI'S AND HER BELONGINGS DISAPPEARANCE INCIDENT."
AH... ABOUT EVE MOVING OUT.
!!

THE PERSON THAT LIVES IN THE SAME HOUSE DIDN'T KNOW UNTIL THIS MORNING.
WHY IS IT THAT YOU ALREADY KNOW?
ISN'T IT WEIRD...?
NO IDEA!!
I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING!!
EH...
EH... I'M OOBA THE RECEPTION-IST.
GIVE YOURSELF UP? PLEASE.
EH! ME!?
THE RECEPTION DUDE!!
EVEN IF YOU PLAY DUMB, THERE'S A WITNESS!

O...
OOBA-HAN!!
TN: WORDPLAY ON GRANDMA (OBAACHAN)
I...
DID IT...!
うううぅ
THIS IS ONE OF THE TRAGIC INCIDENTS THAT THE CURRENT SOCIETY HAS PRODUCED.
WHAT'S WITH THIS FARCE!!?


How longs this gonna continue?
IF YOU GET ANY CLOSER TO EVE, THIS HARD AND DRIED YATSUHASHI IS GONNA SUIT HIS THROAT!
WHAT A BASE MOVE!!!
ONII -CHAN!
I WON'T LET YOU!!

TN:YATSUHASHI: FAMOUS CONFECTIONERY IN KYOTO GENERALLY MADE FROM STICKY RICE, SUGAR, CINNAMON, CAN VARY

LOOK AT THIS!!
ONII-CHAN AND SHIORI ARE TOO CLOSE!!
WHEN DID SUCH PHOTOS...
THIS HAPPENS OFTEN.
THE MORE POPULAR THE BAND GETS, THE MORE SUCH TIP-OFFS ARE BROUGHT TO THE WEEKLY MAGAZINES...

IF YOU'VE BEEN SEPARATED FOR TEN YEARS, YOU'LL BE CONSIDERED A "STRANGER"
THE REASON FOR THEIR PARENT'S DIVORCE, AND EVEN HIS PRIVACY WILL BE INVADED
THERE ARE GOING TO BE PEOPLE PLANNING ON WRITING AN AMORAL SCANDAL STORY

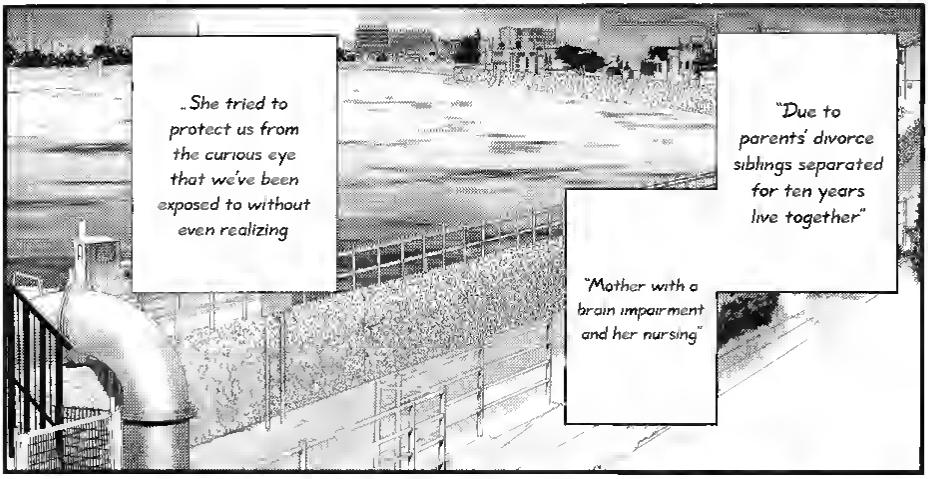
AT LAST, EVEN ABOUT YOUR MOTHER...

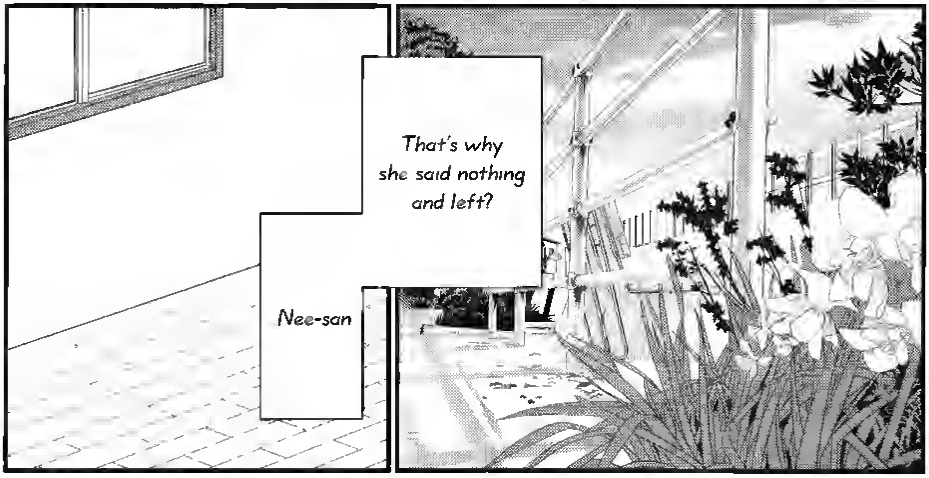
THE MYSTERY HAS SOMEWHAT BEEN SOLVED!!
CAN'T HAVE PEOPLE TAKING ONII-CHAN AND SHIORI'S FABRICATED LOVE PHOTOS, THAT'S WHY SHE'S BEING HELD HERE!!
*DETECTIVE CONAN REFERENCE
STOP LOOKING AT EACH OTHER!!
EVE WILL MOVING INTO A MANSION PREPARED BY AKS.
02
IS THAT REALLY THE TRUTH..?
IT IS THE TRUTH! I'M GOING TO TELL OTOUTO-KUN THE ADDRESS LATER!

LET'S BREAK IN, TO THE CONFINED SHIORI'S SIDE~!!
I'M THE OFFENDER!?
AS I THOUGHT, THE OFFENDER'S CONFESSION CAN'T BE TRUSTED!

WE'RE GOING BACK, LOST DETECTIVE.
TODAY... I'LL BE FINE.
...ARE YOU NOT GOING TO SEE HER?
I HAVEN'T EVEN SWORE ON GRAMP'S NAME!!
LET GO! I'M NOT DONE.

*REFERENCE TO KINDAICHI SHOUNEN NO JIKENBO

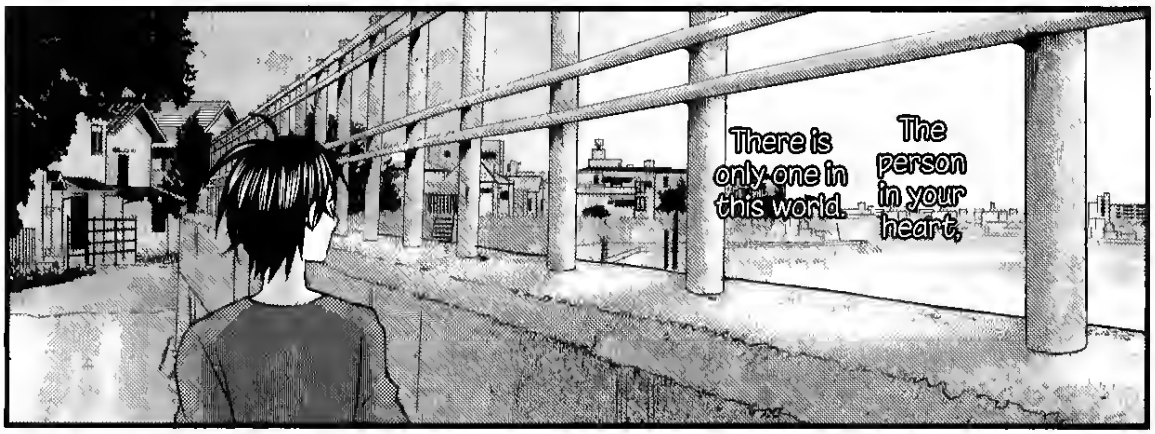

..She tried to protect us from the curious eye that we've been exposed to without even realizing
"Due to parents' divorce siblings separated for ten years live together"
"Mother with a brain impairment and her nursing"


That's why she said nothing and left?
Nee-san

GEEZ-!!
IT'S ONII-CHAN'S FAULT THAT WE'RE AT A DEAD END (ANGRY)!!

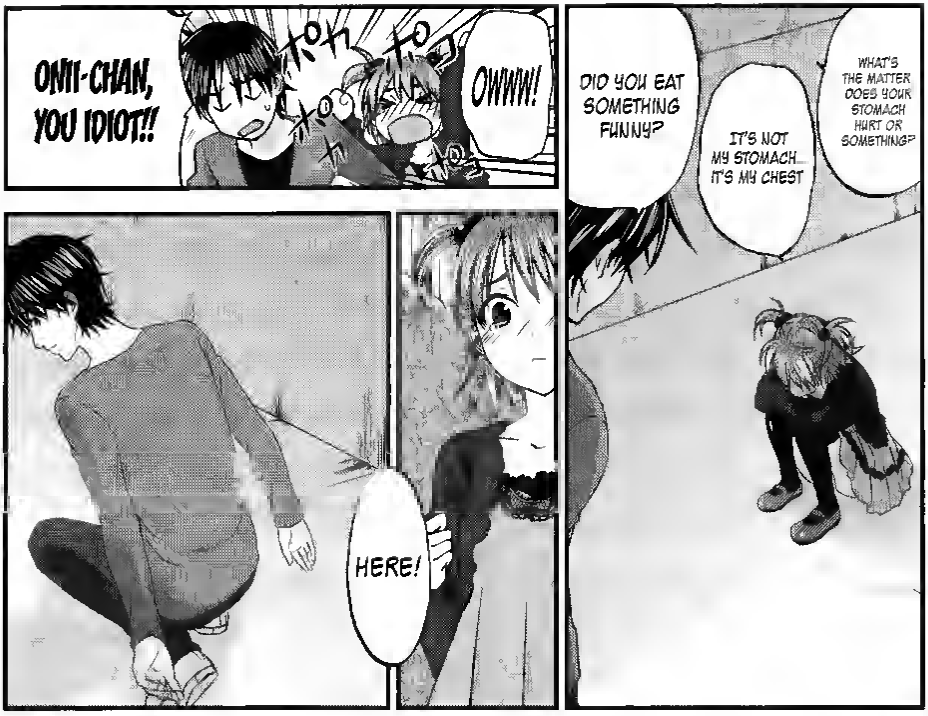
WASN'T THE MYSTERY SOLVED? SO WE'RE NOT REALLY AT A DEAD END, ARE WE?
NOO!! WE DIDN'T TAKE BACK SHIORI, RIGHT!?
A-AMI DOESN'T REALLY CARE!
THOUGH, ONII-CHAN WANTS TO LIVE TOGETHER WITH HER, RIGHT?
...THANKS.

No matter how long we're together, we can't understand each other.


There is only one in this world.
The person in your heart.

I want to become that girl you love and hear

"I love you."
I want to feel
how happy it is
to hear those words.


ONII-CHAN, YOU IDIOT!!
OWWW!
WHAT'S THE MATTER DOES YOUR STOMACH HURT OR SOMETHING?
IT'S NOT MY STOMACH... IT'S MY CHEST
DID YOU EAT SOMETHING FUNNY?
HERE!
...I SAID IT WAS MY CHEST.
OKAY, OKAY.
ONII-CHAN, YOU... IDIOT.

SEISHUN POP 4 / END

"Seishun Pop!" Fourth Volume.

Thank you for reading. It is all due to the support of my manager, assistant, family, and friends, and the readers currently holding the book in your hands, that I've reached the fourth volume. What type of youth lies ahead for Sakuta and the others, it would be fortunate if you can continue watching over them.

2012. Kitakawa Touta

青春ボール
HEY.
WHAT'S THIS ABOUT!? ISN'T THIS CORNER PAGE A BIT TOO SMALL?
YEAH! TWO PAGES WON'T CONVEY MY GLAMOUR!
TWO PAGES OF MY APPEARANCE, AND THAT'S IT!?
HOW UNSIGHTLY, SUPPORTING CHARACTERS!!

JUST LIKE ME, AYANO-SAMA!
IF YOU WANT MORE OF AN APPEARANCE COME OUT IN THE MAIN STORY!
YOU MUST FACE YOUR TRUE SELF.
Inside of the face
THROW AWAY THE MASK,
SOB...!
...IT'S ALL FUTILE.
STOP.
I CAN SEE YOU SLIGHTLY BEHIND THAT!
THIS IS MY TRUE APPEAR-ANCE~
I SAID STOP! DON'T TAKE IT OFF!
DIDN'T YOU GET MORE [illegible]WHY AFTER WORKING OUT!?